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REMARKS

Applicants are amending their claims, prior to calculation of the filing fee, in order to delete multiple dependency, and to consistently recite a method for fractionating "polycyclic" aromatic hydrocarbons. In view of deletion of multiple dependency in claim 3, Applicants are adding new claim 5 to the application. Claim 5 recites subject matter set forth in claim 3, but is dependent on claim 2.

Entry of the present amendments, prior to calculation of the filing fee; and, subsequent thereto, examination of the above-identified application on the merits in due course, are respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage of fees due in connection with the filing of this paper be charged to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (case 648.46078X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

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